



Friars Primary

Foundation School

Friday 11th September 2026

Headteacher's Message

We have had a great first full week with lots of learning taking place. A group of Year 6s were fabulous Friars' representatives on Wednesday at the Savoy Hotel where they made canapes with chefs and impressed fundraisers and donors with their friendly and confident speeches about Wick Court. Look out for photographs next week.

Please do attend our Meet the Teacher meetings in classrooms after school on 15th September for most classes (see key dates). Useful information will be given out.

Free Uniform for Southwark residents- see details overleaf.

Stars of the week!



Attendance and Punctuality

Whole school attendance for this week 96%

1st Place Attendance: RECEPTION (99%)

1st Place Punctuality: Year 1

Well Done!



Dates for your diary



15/09/26 – 3.30pm Meet the Teacher Meetings for all parents of Y1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 children

21/09/26 – 3.30pm- Year 5 Meet the Teacher

21/09/26 – 25/09/26 Bikeability Year 5

24/09/26- School Photographer in- Pupil photos

28/09/26 – 02/10/26 Bikeability Year 6

29/09/26 – Year 6 Citizenship Trip

14/10/26- Year 5 Trip- Wallace Collection

20/09/26- Year 4 Trip- Southwark Playhouse

22/10/26 – INSET DAY – School closed for children

23/10/26- HALF TERM – school closed

Messages/ Reminders

Contact details- If you have changed your address, telephone number, or email address, please inform the office as soon as possible.

Packed lunch- If your child is changing from a school meal to a packed lunch, please let the office know. This helps us ensure the correct number of meals are ordered and reduces food waste.

Term dates

Holidays are not allowed during term time.

Term dates can be found online and in and around the school.

Free school uniforms for local families eligible for free school meals

If your family gets free school meals, you can get free, brand-new school uniform at a drop-in session.

You can get:

- shirts
- trousers
- polo shirts
- jumpers
- shorts
- skirts

To help as many families as possible, each child can get 2 of each item of clothing, while stocks last. You can get uniform for more than 1 child.

We're working with PECAN, our local community partner, to organise the sessions. The uniforms have been donated by major retailers.

How to get uniform

Come to one of our drop-in sessions at the Ann Bernadt Centre, 9 Chandler Way, London SE15 6DT.

You do not need an appointment or referral. You do not need to bring anything with you.

Drop-in session dates and times

All sessions are from 10am to 1pm. There are sessions on:

- Tuesday 15 September
- Wednesday 16 September
- Thursday 17 September
- Tuesday 22 September
- Wednesday 23 September
- Thursday 24 September

If you cannot come on these dates, fill this form in and we'll get uniform to you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdD1fJJzfT7LOYmYOC9Uhmh8tW6yZ7_wYSRPBVnEHm_v01taDA/viewform

What happens at a drop-in session

When you arrive, you'll be asked to sign an order sheet. This helps us keep track of stock and make sure it goes where it's needed most.

If your child's size isn't available on the day, let us know.

We have limited stock available; however we're working with our partners to get more stock for the future.

If you have any questions contact childrenscentre@ivydale.southwark.sch.uk.

PLEASE VISIT <https://www.southwark.gov.uk/community-updates/2026/free-school-uniforms-local-families-eligible-free-school-meals> FOR MORE INFORMATION

SOUTHWARK PLAYHOUSE YOUNG COMPANY



Is your child aged 8 - 10 and lives in Southwark, or goes to school here?

Southwark Playhouse is recruiting new members for its youth theatre, the Young Company, this Autumn/Winter.

These are weekly drama workshops led by talented theatre professionals.

Our participants make new friends, learn new skills, perform at one of London's leading off-West End theatres and most importantly have lots of fun!.

It's free to join and there are no auditions. We operate a waiting list when there is strong demand.

Find out more and sign up on our website at southwarkplayhouse.co.uk/participate or email participation@southwarkplayhouse.co.uk